

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

April 28, 2014

Via E-mail
Mr. Michael Bonney
Chief Executive Officer
Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc.
65 Hayden Avenue
Lexington, MA 02421

Re: Cubist Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2013

Filed February 25, 2014 File No. 001-36151

Dear Mr. Bonney:

We have limited our review to only your financial statements and related disclosures and do not intend to expand our review to other portions of your document. In our comment, we ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within 10 business days by providing the requested information or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe that the comment applies to your facts and circumstances, please tell us why in your response. Please furnish us a letter on EDGAR under the form type label CORRESP that keys your response to our comment.

After reviewing the information provided, we may raise additional comments and/or request that you amend your filing.

Notes to Consolidated Financial Statements C. Business Agreements, page 113

1. In order to help us understand more fully how your collaborative arrangements impact your financial statements for each period presented, please provide us a table showing amounts by year and by line item included in your statements of operations attributable to transactions arising from collaborative arrangements between you and the other participants and to third-parties. Please provide separate tables for this information for each of your significant collaborative arrangements and in the aggregate for all of your collaborative arrangements (i.e. the significant arrangements and all other arrangements).

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We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filing to be certain that the filing include the information the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and all applicable Exchange Act rules require. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In responding to our comment, please provide a written statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filing;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filing; and
- the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

Please contact Kei Nakada, Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3659 or Don Abbott, Senior Staff Accountant, at (202) 551-3608, if you have questions regarding the comment. In this regard, do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 551-3752.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jim B. Rosenberg

Jim B. Rosenberg Senior Assistant Chief Accountant